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Admissions for Six Days Largest, Except for Season Which Included St. Louis Day.

TOTAL COUNT WAS 14,316,230.

This Week Is Expected to Break All Records, as Advices Are That Crowds Are Coming From All Directions.

RECORDED ADMISSIONS FOR

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Į	WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 15.	
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	Friday, October 14152.765	
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Last week's attendance record at the World's Fair of nearly a million visitors was the second best in its history, being overshadowed only by that week in which was St. Louis Day, when the attendance

Total

The attendance for the week just ended, which, with the exception noted, far exceeded any previous week, is taken by the student of expositions to indicate the near approach of the Fair's grand climacteric. It is also thought to presage a continued period of large attendances in the splendid, autumnal season which shall bring the Fair to a glorious and successful ter

The average daily attendance was 150 cm visitors. Missouri Day, Tuesday, was the largest day, the attendance on that occa-sion being 179,847. The grand total of the Exposition attendance is swelled to more than fourteen millions.

The prospects for the most prosperous week in the Fair period are good for this week. The city is full of strangers, and advices from every part of the country are to the effect that thousands are coming by every train. A bountiful harvest, exceptional prosperity and sublime weather are all factors which give reasonable assurance of the greatest crowds yet to

The present week has also many attractions, which are serving to bring in the crowds. The convention of the American Library Association will bring to the city many librarians from all over the United States, as well as some of the more eminent from abroad.

The following special State and Territorial days are also to be observed at the week: Alaska anniversary of the transfer of the Territory to the United States by Russia, and Nebraska Day, to morrow: Utsh and District of Columbia

Colonial Dames' Day will be observe Thursday, Court of Honor Day Wednesday, Supreme Tribe of Ben Hur Day Fr day and Fraternal Mystic Circle Day Saturday. Two events of especial interest will be observed to-morrow. They are Helen Keller Day and St. Louis Univer-

REMOVED TO WALMER PALACE.

Lady Curzon's Improvement Continues Steady.

Walmer Castle, Oct. 16.-A bulletin, issued to-night, announces the continued improvement of Lady Curzon. mer Palace, a house in the vicinity of

Walmer Castle, where it was intended to remove her before the last relapse.

GIRL WHO SLEPT SIX MONTHS DIES

Dora Meek of Centralia, Whose Case Puzzled Physicians, Succumbs to Measles.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Centralia, Ill., Oct. 16.-Dora Meek, the Centralia girl who gained almost national fame by sleeping nearly six months during the fall and winter of 1901 and 1902. died this morning at the home of her fa-

ther, four miles west of town. She was only 18 years old, and her death was due to a general decline following an attack of measles last March.

During the period of her first great sleep, covering many months, she was visited by scores of physicians and hundreds of other people, many coming long dis-tances to see her. Her case puzzled the medical profession as well as the laiety. When she was finally aroused she seemed

to have suffered comparatively little from her protracted alumber, which resembled a trance more than natural sleep. Last December, while employed as a demestic in this city and without the slightest preliminary symptoms of a return of her trancelike condition, she fell asleep while caring for the children of the household, but this sleep lasted but a few

Many theories have been advanced to the last three years, one of which is that she was disappointed in love, and many believe this was the real cause. She will be buried to-morrow morning.

BELLBOY DRANK

Traveling Men Bought Drinks for Lad at Bar Till He Fell Senseless.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Sedalia, Mo., Oct. 16.-Two traveling men who arrived here this morning on an early train and were feeling jolly over an allnight carouse, were indirectly the cause of the death of Houston Burris, a 16-year-old beliboy at a local hotel.

While the traveling men were drinking drinks for some guests. The traveling mer invited the boy to join them in a drink. and he took whisky. The boy took a second dram and then went about his work. returning to the bar, however, in a few minutes. At the invitation of the drummers 1

senseless to the floor by the bar. He was picked up and sent to his home in a carriage, but died shortly after his arrival

Coroner Cowan has been asked to hold

BABY SHOW AT FAIR CONSIDERED

Exploitation Committee Contem plates a Congress of Infant Prize Winners of Nations.

Congresses, conventions and shows with out number have been held at the World's now under consideration. This is an inter

national baby show. Six of the seven ages of man have had representation at the Fair, and now th time for the first of them all is being discussed by the Exposition management The project of a baby show in which all o the prize winners of the nations shall Exploitation Committee of the Fair and

obably will be carried o If it shall be decided to have the show it it shall be decided to have the show it will be held about the second week of November, and probably in the west end of the Transportation building.

At the Columbian Exposition in Chicago the Baby Show was held in the Woman's building, under the auspices of the Board of Lady Managers, and was one of the famed events of that fair.

Searching for Missing Children. Elizabeth and Elva Kelly, 9 and 5 years old, living at No. Ili9 North Ninth street, are being sought by their parents and the police. The little ones disappeared from their home yesterday about 3 o'clock and have not been seen since. They were gingham dresses.

RUSSIANS ADMIT UTTER DEFEAT AT SHAKHE; PART OF ARMY ON EAST SIDE MAY BE GUT OFF; LOSSES ON BOTH SIDES POSSIBLY 60,000.

Indications Are That Retreat of Kuropatkin's Shattered Army Will Not Even Stop at Tie Pass, But Will Hurry On to Harbin-Japanese Continue Artillery Attack With Undiminished Vigor.

ALL HOPE FOR RELIEF OF POR T ARTHUR HAS DISAPPEARED.

St, Petersburg, Oct. 17, 3:45 a. m .- The official veil has been lifted from the ghastly tragedy around Shakhe; but even the official account, supplemented by numerous press dispatches, leaves much uncertainty as to the situation. Out of the fragmentary mass of information at hand it is possible only to conclude that the costly withdrawal and retreat from Liao-Yang is being duplicated upon an even grander scale, after more desperate fighting and heavier

General Kuropatkin's story leaves the Russians still tenaciously holding the north bank of the Shakhe River, but general belief is that this is only the desperate finale of one of the greatest military dramas of history and that the Russian Army as a whole is retiring toward Mukden, having suffered, at the most conservative estimate, a loss of o ver 30,000.

FORCES ON RUSSIAN LEFT SEPARATED FROM MAIN ARMY.

Of the left flank, which was one of the most important points in the line of battle, absolutely nothing is heard, which leaves the inference that it is not in a position to communicate with the remainder of the army.

All the wounded are being carried to Harbin, further north. It is understood that the correspondents also have been ordered to Harbin, which indicates that the retreat will not even stop at Tie Pass.

All hopes of the world-heralded advance to Port Arthur have been abandoned.

The weather conditions are even worse than during the retreat from Liao-Yang. Streams are bank high and fords are impassable, but it is impossible to say how this will affect the final situation. It may prove Russian salvation by preventing a Japanese pursuit. On the other hand, however, if the Russians are on the wrong side, the flooded rivers may only emphasize the completeness of the disaster.

JAPS SEEM TO HAVE PLENTY OF AMMUNITION AFTER LONG FIGHT.

Another serious fact that remains undetermined is the ammunition supply. Seven days of furious fighting must have greatly depleted the supply of both armles. Official circles express great confidence that General Kuropatkin is better off in this respect, but at last accounts the Japanese were bombarding as if they were confident of an inexhaustible supply.

The official story of the battle says that the Japanese made a determined effort to break the Russian center Friday night, but this, it seems, may be a clerical or telegraphic error for Thursday. Simultaneously the Japanese launched a heavy assault against the village of Shakhe, which had already been the scene of so many furious attacks and counter-attacks. The Russians were forced to evacuate the village, but heroically recaptured the position.

This brought reserves of both sides into action, but whether the whole account for the prolonged periods of sium-ber to which she has been subject during VILLAGE OF SHAKHE CHANGES HANDS VILLAGE OF SHAKHE CHANGES HANDS

FIVE TIMES IN COURSE OF BATTLE.

In any event, the Russians were again and finally driven out, making five times that Shakhe had changed hands in the course of the battle. The Russians then retired to a new position north of Shakhe.

General Kuropatkin says that Friday night was passed in comparative quiet, but that Saturday saw an immense concentration of Japanese on the great Mandarin road, where the Russian batteries were vigorously playing in WHISKY AND DIED an effort to hold them in check. The result of Saturday's fight has not been officially given out, but there is every evidence that it was of the most severe

It was during the Japanese furious night attack of Wednesday, according to unofficial accounts, that the Russian's lost their guns. Thursday witnessed another furious cannonade in which the whole of the Russian center was forced back. In the afternoon of the same day the Russian right began to give way.

CANNONADE EXCEEDS IN INTENSITY PAMOUS STRUGGLE AT LIAO VANG

Toward evening came a few hours' lull, but at midnight the cannonading was renewed with increased fury, eye witnesses declaring that it exceeded in intensity that at Liao Yang during the famous fighting of August 30 and 31. There was much desperate fighting on Friday, which was carried on

through a tremendous storm of rain, hall and thunder. General Kuropatkin personally took command of the Petroff regiment. It was in the midst of this swful war of man and elements, the Petroff regiment leading, that the Russians for the last time charged doggedly into Shakhe and took the town in the face of the hottest Japanese bombardment.

The latest reports from the battle are of Sunday afternoon and evening when the Russians were carrying on a heavy rear-guard fight, evidently retiring on Mukden. took several more drinks before he fell

Generals Oku and Nodzu were concentrating for another blow on the Russian right, where the fighting is described as having been furious. General Nodzu is reported to have been wounded seriously, but this can-

Mukden itself remains quiet, though the sounds of buttle are plainly heard to the southward. The railway station is congested with trains of wounded proceeding to Harbin. The hospital facilities are completely overtaxed. Six thousand wounded

arrived at Mukden on Saturday alone. The heroic surgeons and nurses, many of whom have been without sleep for thirty-six hours, are ready to drop without fatigue.

Although the official account of the battle does not present the disastrous picture that many in St. Petersburg had resigned themselves to see, the general feeling here is of the deepest gloom. If the battle has not been Russia's Sedan in fact, the moral and political effect could hardly be worse.

The result will render the war and its conduct more unpopular than ever at home, while the greatest fears are expressed that the Chinese population, if not the Government, will be encouraged to abandon a long doubtful neutrality and openly side with the victorious Japanese. From the military point of view the most bitter disappointment is in the knowledge that the reverse seals the fate of the heroic defenders of Port Arthur, who are now without hope of succor from the outside world.

A remarkable feature throughout is the popular sympathy with General Kuropatkin. Viceroy Alexieff is again charged with responsibility for Kuropatkin's attempt to take the aggressive. Pity rather than criticism is awarded the ill-starred General; but it is felt among army officers that the military prestige of the whole of Russia has so suffered at his hands that it is impossible that he can ever be given the chance to retrieve the disaster.

WEARY RUSSIANS HAVE LITTLE FOOD; HEAVY STORM INCREASES MISERY

Mukden, Oct. 16.-Evening-The firing to the southwest is less violent. The men are tired out and food has been insufficient. Every available gun and man are being used.

The troops have behaved most gallantly, hurling themselves repeatedly against impregnable positions. The heavy storm of October 14 added to among the men. There has been great sacrifice of officers.

The plain occupied by the retiring Russians is covered with bursting

JAPAN, THE VICTOR, MAY APPEAL TO HUMANITY FUR A SETTLEMENT.

Toklo, Oct. 15, 6 p. m.-There is a strong appeal for peace in the appalling tragedy which is now under enactment in Manchurin. Both armies have fought feroclously for a week, and desperate righting still continues. It is probable that the death roll will be largely increased before the final shot is fired.

The preliminary reports indicate that about 60.000 men of both sides have been either killed or wounded, the larger portion of them being Russians, since the armies of the two beligerents closed in combat.

Even the Japanese, to whom the great victory is of paramount importance

seem to be shocked by the slaughter of their enemies. The Japanese people are receiving the news from the field of battle calmly, and there can be heard no in the streets proclaiming the victory of their nation. Few flags are displayed. Probably later on there will be a procession with the consequent jollification, but there are heard many expressions of opinion that no demonstration of any kind should be held.

A prominent Japanese said to the Associated Press correspondent to-day: "We have won a sweeping and a decisive victory, which may prove to be the salvation of our country's existence, but we regret both our own losses and the terrible slaughter which our forces have inflicted on the enemy. We regret still more the necessity which forced us to engage in this war."

A member of the Diplomatic Corps in an interview with the correspondent of

the Associated Press said: "I believe the world will recoil from the sickening slaughter of this battle. Every interest of humanity demands the adjustment of the differences between the two nations and the proclamation of peace. The situation between the two belligerents is a delicate one, but what a splendid triumph for diplomacy it would be if peace could be arranged. It seems to me that the question of honor is no

longer involved,
"If Russia feels that such a question is involved, surely the heroic and successful defense of Port Arthur and the valor shown by Russian soldiers on the fields of Manchuria should forever determine the quality of Russian courage. Russians should remember that the distance dividing her strength and the limitations of her railway are historical factors in this war. These factors are generally known. They are appreciated by everybody, and are not looked upon as faults.

shrapnel. The gunners shoveled shells into the breeches of the guns as stokers shovel coal into furnaces.

Howitzers are used by the Eastern army. The Russian guns have superior range and burst shrapnel at 6,000 yards. Two divisional commanders have lost their chief staff officers, one of

them being killed, and many commanding officers have met death heroically leading their regiments SHRAPNEL FALLS NEAR KUROPATKIN;

RUSSIANS FIGHT AS MATTER OF PRIDE.

Shrapnel fell near General Kuropatkin. He showed desperate energy and even in the darkest hour remained hopeful. The Japanese must feel the strain. There was a cessation of hostilities Saturday. Neither side can stand many such contests, the ferocity of which was frightful.

The Russians are now fighting as a matter of pride. Manchuria is forgotten. They feel that they cannot stop-that they must win one battle. This evening the Japanese seem no nearer. Fires are burning to the south. About twelve miles from here the Eastern army is rttiringe without fighting.

It is now certain that the army will be able to extricate itself.

The losses amount to 30,000. It has been a bigger battle than Liao-

SIX DAYS OF HARD FIGHTING PRECEDE WITHDRAWAL OF THE RUSSIAN CENTER.

Mukden, Oct. 15, via Pekin, With the Russian Army of the Center.-After six days of the hardest kind of fighting this section of the Russian army fell back last night on the Sakhe River and is now holding a position on the north side of that stream. The fighting, which commenced shortly after noon October 9, has been in progress continuously ever since.

On October 9 the Russians advanced to the southeast, crossing the Sakhe River, thence to Hamantung, twenty miles southeast of Mukden, and ten miles north of Yentai. On the hills around Hamantung the Japanese had planted four batteries. Upon the advance of the Russians these batteries retired to the southward across a narrow valley, which runs east and west and joins the main Japanese force on the hills beyond.

In the fighting around Hamantung a few Japanese prisoners were

The Russians followed the Japanese across the valley, taking posttions in the foothills, from which the artillery shelled the Japanese force, while the infantry advanced through the defiles.

October 10 the artillery duel continued, the Russians advancing slowly, During the night the Japanese changed their positions, and at daylight enfiladed the trenches, pouring a terrific shrapnel fire on the infantry, composed of one regiment, only a remnant of which was left. JAPANESE ARMY ASSUMES

THE OFFENSIVE ON TUESDAY.

From this on the Japanese took the offensive the entire day of the 11th, throwing shraphel and shimose powder shells among the infantry and artillery. The Russians held tenaciously to their positions. Early in the day the Japanese commenced to work around the Rus-

sian left and succeeded in dropping a few shells on the road and in the villages, where the transport and reserves were gathered. The Japanese had the range of the road and the village perfectly. They compelled the men and wagons to take to the fields. This shelling did little damage beyond disconcerting the men and horses. Additional guns were sent forward to protect the left, while the bat-

teries withdrew across the plains to the hills on the north side. This gave the Japanese possession of a high hill on the south side, from which they shelled the valley through which the Russians had advanced during the evening. The Japanese apparently suffered greatly from the Russian fire.

The morning of the 12th found little change in the positions of the wo armies except that the Japanese had worked further around to the left. Probably the greatest artillery fight of the battle took place October 12. Batteries were placed on every available hill, and at the same time regiment after regiment of infantry was poured into the plain by both sides, WOULD HAVE INDEPENDENT only to be thrown back shattered and torn.

It is impossible as yet to estimate the loss of life.

FIERCE HAND-TO-HAND STRUGGLE IN THE DARKNESS.

During the night a heavy rainstorm occurred, in the midst of which he artillery continued to boom, and at one point the Japanese infantry charged. They were met by Russian infantrymen in the darkness, which was lighted only by the flashes of guns, the bursting of shells and the streaks of lightning. The men fought hand to hand, the Japanese regiment being finally

Thunder and rain continued all the morning of the 13th, but notwithstanding the guns opened fire promptly at daylight. The Russians fought stubbornly, but retired slowly.

The Japanese continued to threaten the Russian left. Toward evening the Japanese opened with all their guns on the Russian positions, the shells dropping like hail in the field and on the hills.

The morning of the 14th found the Russians with their backs to the Sakhe River, across which the transports had been withdrawn during the night. The fighting continued from these positions all during the day of the 14th, while the Russian re-enforcements took up positions on the hills to the north of the river.

Another thunderstorm broke shortly after noon, clouding the streams and turning the roads into seas, and by evening the main Russian force had withdrawn across the Sakhe River. The Japanese shells were dropping within a short distance of the river on the left.

The fighting recommenced at daylight to-day, the boom of guns being

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TO-DAY'S WORLD'S FAIR.

Milwaukee Day.

SPECIAL EVENTS. E

MORNING.

8:30 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. Ferris Wheel gives freq takents to see illumination to might.

8:30 Prill. Twenty-seventh Separate New York Company, Administration quantizingle.

9:30 Meeting, National Association Local Fire Insurance Agents Missouri building.

9:00 Meeting, Instructure of the Deaf, Dormletory Hall.

Meeting, Commissioners of Agriculture of Scuthern States, Faisce of Agriculture.

Kile fijing contest, Aeronaulte Concourse and Stadium.

11:00 Confail meeting. American Library Association Concoursed the Concourse and Stadium.

Outsel meeting American Library As-sociation Inside Inn. Milwanniere Day exercises, Piaza St. Louis AFTERNOON.

1:00-Fender test on human subject, north side Palace of Transportation.
2:00-Meeting, Association of insurance Men, Missouri building.
2:20-Opening session, American Library Asso-ciation. Congress Hall. Missuakes Day reception, Wisconstan Building.
2:00-Class in music and calisthence, Peabody

tion.

4.99—Parade, St. Charles Military Academy, Administration quadrangle.

5.90—Pender test on human subject, north side of Pulsec of Temporalation.

EVENING. 600-Palace of Electricity open.
200-Informat reciption, Iowa building,
American and Loan sections, Palace of
Fine Arts. cosm.
4.00-Reciption to Labrary Association of
America, Missouri building.

REGULAR EVENTS.

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Literary-music programme, Indian School

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Wireless telegraph demonstration, Signal
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Kindervarten classes, Model Playground,
Cascades in operation,
Lantern-sible exhibition, Interior Department, Government building.
12:00—Miking and feeding of cown in dairy test,
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12:06 Miking and feeding of cows in dairy test,
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1:06 Literary class work. Indian School bide.
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west end of the Figs.
1:20 Classes of blind and deaf, east nave, Palace of Education.
Hourly milk tests, Palace of Education.
2:20 Drill, United States Liferavers, take north
of Palace of Agriculture.
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Demonstration, footing dry dock, Navy
Department, Government Building.
1:20 Boer War, three famous battles,
1:20 Dress parade, United States Maxines.
4:20 Wireless telegrach demonstrations, Signal
Corps, podium, Government building.
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EVENING. 6:00 p. m. to 10:30 p. m. Ferris Wheel, Best place to view illuminations and fireworks. place to view illuminations and newersa-5:30-Flag sature and dress parade, Indian School. Old Indian sports and pastimes, Plana School.
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MUSIC EVENTS.

MORNING.

1:00-Concert, turntable, Palace of Transports-5:38 Government Indian Band, Indian School.
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16:30 Organ recital. French section, Palace of
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AFTERNOON.

109 Government Indian Band, Indian School.

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Well's Band, Cascade Gardens.

Berlin Band, Machinery Gardens,

Mexican Hand, Plaza St. Louis.

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200 Twenty-fourth United States Infantry

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MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY.

Tenth Ward Association Discusses the Hold-Ip of Improvements Bills in the House of Delegates.

It was decided by the members of the Tenth Ward Improvement Association at their meeting yesterday in Chippewa Hall that they would work for the electing next spring of an indepedent Municipal Asembly, instead of supporting the regular candidates for the House of Delegates. This motion was placed before the sociation by H. C. Koenig, and caused discussion among the members, some of them contending that to try to abolish the House of Delegates and elect in its stead an organization that was wholly independent would be endeavoring to do too much. A few of the members took the stand that the association was not a political organization, and, therefore, had no right to attempt to get into politics. These objections were overruled. Before the next meeting the association will confer with the various business associations throughout the city to get them to join them in the movement.

The committee which was appeared two weeks ago to look into the matter of approvements bills stopping in the House of Delegates, reported that they had called upon Mr. Varrelman, and he had told them that the reason so many of the bills for improvement were held up was because of his refusal to give the contracts to the various friends of the members of the House of Delegates. that they would work for the electing next